

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-4, as follows:

1 1. (Currently amended) A leak point wetness sensor for urological investigations
2 comprising:
3 an instrument body having a passage therethrough to pass a catheter,
4 which catheter is intended for insertion into the bladder through the urethra;
5 a receptacle in said instrument body so arranged and disposed as to receive
6 liquid which leaks from the urethra past the inserted catheter;
7 a temperature sensitive detector sensor mounted to said instrument body
8 where it will be contacted by said leaked liquid, said detector sensor being responsive to
9 the temperature of said liquid and adapted to provide a signal output respective to said
10 temperature;
11 a circuit adapted to generate and provide a reference output simulative of a
12 selected temperature below that of an anticipated temperature of said leaked liquid, said
13 circuit generating said reference output independent of ambient temperature; and
14 a comparator responsive to the difference between said outputs to detect
15 and inform when the signal output sufficiently exceeds said reference output.

1 2. (Currently amended) ~~Apparatus~~ The sensor according to claim 1 in which drain-
2 age channels extend from said receptacle to the outside of said body to drain liquid from
3 the receptacle.

1 3. (Currently amended) ~~Apparatus~~ The sensor according to claim 1 in which re-
2 corder means records related data when wetness is detected.

1 4. (Currently amended) A leak point wetness sensor for urological investigations
2 comprising:

3 an instrument body having a passage therethrough to pass a catheter,
4 which catheter is intended for insertion into the bladder through the urethra;

5 a receptacle in said instrument body so arranged and disposed as to receive
6 liquid which leaks from the urethra past the inserted catheter;

7 a temperature sensitive detector sensor mounted to said instrument body
8 where it will be contacted by said leaked liquid, said detector sensor being responsive to
9 the temperature of said liquid and adapted to provide a signal output respective to said
10 temperature;

11 a circuit adapted to ~~respond to~~ detect a rate of change a in the signal output
12 from said temperature sensitive detector sensor, said detected rate of change correspond-
13 ing to a rate of change in temperature at said detector sensor. temperature of said leaked
14 fluid when said change occurs at a rate indicative of contact with leaked liquid whose
15 temperature approaches that of a human body.

Kindly add the following new claims 5 *et seq.*

1 5. (New) The sensor according to claim 1, wherein said comparator outputs a sig-
2 nal indicating that liquid has leaked from said urethra.

1 6. (New) The sensor according to claim 4, wherein said circuit generates a signal
2 indicating that liquid has leaked from said urethra.

1 7. (New) The sensor according to claim 4, wherein said circuit differentiates said
2 signal output from said temperature sensitive detector sensor.

1 8. (New) A leak point wetness device for urological investigations comprising:
2 an instrument body having a passage therethrough to pass a catheter,
3 which catheter is intended for insertion into the bladder through the urethra;
4 a temperature sensitive detector sensor mounted to said instrument body
5 where it will be contacted by liquid which leaks from the urethra past the inserted cathe-
6 ter, said detector sensor being responsive to the temperature of said liquid and adapted to
7 provide a signal output respective to said temperature;
8 a circuit adapted to generate and provide a reference output simulative of a
9 selected temperature below that of an anticipated temperature of said leaked liquid, said
10 circuit generating said reference output independent of ambient temperature; and

11 a comparator responsive to the difference between said outputs to detect
12 and inform when the signal output from said detector sensor sufficiently changes relative
13 to said reference output.

1 9. (New) A leak point wetness device for urological investigations comprising:
2 an instrument body having a passage therethrough to pass a catheter,
3 which catheter is intended for insertion into the bladder through the urethra;
4 a temperature sensitive detector sensor mounted to said instrument body
5 where it will be contacted by liquid which leaks from the urethra past the inserted cathe-
6 ter, said detector sensor being responsive to the temperature of said liquid and adapted to
7 provide a signal output respective to said temperature; and
8 means for detecting when the signal output from said detector sensor suf-
9 ficiently changes relative to a reference signal that is independent of ambient temperature
10 and simulative of a selected temperature below that of an anticipated temperature of said
11 leaked liquid.

1 10. (New) The device according to claim 9, further comprising:
2 means for signaling the event of a leakage when the signal output from
3 said detector sensor sufficiently changes relative to said reference signal.

1 11. (New) The device according to claim 9, further comprising:

2 means for generating said reference signal that is independent of ambient
3 temperature and simulative of a selected temperature below that of an anticipated tem-
4 perature of said leaked liquid.

1 12. (New) A leak point wetness device for urological investigations comprising:
2 an instrument body having a passage therethrough to pass a catheter,
3 which catheter is intended for insertion into the bladder through the urethra;
4 a temperature sensitive detector sensor mounted to said instrument body
5 where it will be contacted by liquid which leaks from the urethra past the inserted cathe-
6 ter, said detector sensor being responsive to the temperature of said liquid and adapted to
7 provide a signal output respective to said temperature; and
8 a circuit adapted to detect a rate of change in the signal output from said
9 temperature sensitive detector sensor, said detected rate of change corresponding to a rate
10 of change in temperature at said detector sensor.